

MISSOURI CITY DOCTOR NAMED
MEDICAL DIRECTOR

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 12, 2017

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Melissa Allen, D.O., of Missouri City for being named the medical director of the University of Texas (UT) Harris County Psychiatric Center.

Melissa has worked as an assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at McGovern Medical School and as an attending physician in the Bipolar Specialty Unit at UT Health Harris County Psychiatric Center since 2012. She has received the Dean's Teaching Excellence Award, which honors the top teaching faculty of each department, each year since 2013. Her colleague, Jair Soares, M.D., Ph.D., said she "brings innovation and enthusiasm that will lead the hospital." That's great.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Melissa for being named the medical director of UT Harris County Psychiatric Center. We all benefit from her commitment to helping others, and we thank her for her hard work to keep Houstonians healthy.

TRIBUTE TO CHANCELLOR PAUL
HARDIN

HON. DAVID E. PRICE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 12, 2017

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Paul Hardin III, former Chancellor of the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, who died on July 1 after a courageous battle with ALS.

My wife Lisa and I treasure the friendship of Paul and his wife Barbara and were privileged to join his family in a moving memorial service at University United Methodist Church last Saturday.

Paul was a man of great intelligence and insight, moral seriousness and integrity, and irrepressible enthusiasm and dedication—qualities abundantly evident throughout his career in higher education.

As was said more than once in the memorial service, Paul pledged allegiance to "two shades of blue." The deeper hue belonged to Duke University, where he earned his undergraduate and law degrees and edited the Duke Law Journal.

Paul then served in the Army's Counter Intelligence Corps and practiced law in Birmingham before returning to Durham to spend ten years on the faculty of Duke Law School. He was appointed to his first college presidency, at Wofford College, at age 37, and went on to serve as president of Southern Methodist and Drew Universities. In 1988 he became the seventh chancellor of UNC-CH, where he served until his retirement in 1995.

As a young man, Paul made a credible run for Mayor of Durham, and throughout his life he was attentive and involved in national, state, and local politics. In recent years, Paul, along with Barbara, brought his trademark

high energy to the leadership of Democrats in their retirement community, Carolina Meadows.

They also shared, as children of ministers, deep roots in the Methodist Church. Paul, his son Russell reported at the memorial service, seriously considered entering the ministry as a young man. But his father, who was a Methodist bishop, assured him that he could render faithful service and powerful witness in his chosen fields of education and the law.

Paul's father was right, as the thousands whose lives Paul touched can attest. I am honored to join this chorus of tribute, and include in the RECORD a piece by Paul's friend and mine, Village Communications President Jim Heavner, from the Raleigh News and Observer of July 5.

PAUL HARDIN—A GOOD MAN WHO MADE UNC
BETTER

When Paul Hardin slipped away last week, North Carolina lost a brilliant and fine man, a UNC chancellor whose leadership was endearing, its lessons enduring.

"This may be audacious, but here's an idea," I heard him say so often as a way to prepare us to hear how he might see the future differently. The good fortune of my work and home town gave me much time with Paul and a friendship that grew. He and I were pulled together in work when my company owned the school's sports network.

It was the good fortune of us all to learn from him. Among the leaders I have known, none was more dogged in defense of the values he sought to protect. He was clear-eyed and courageous in facing down those who threatened those values.

It was likely the example of his Methodist minister father (also a bishop) that inculcated his habit to find noble qualities among many where the rest of us could not. An extroverted and joyful soul, he loved much about politics and once ran for the town council in Durham.

It is little-known that he served in the CIA, or that his excellent golf game honed on the Duke team (his alma mater) qualified him for the British Open at a time when he was in Scotland. A great storyteller, Paul loved to recall those days and so many more.

He was a brilliant student who finished first in his class at Duke, where he also obtained his law degree. He would have to call on all of that as a university leader. It's a job with high prestige buffeted daily by high winds of disparate owners and bosses and the thunder of their loudest voices. Paul would frequently recall the story attributed to Lincoln about the politician who was tarred and feathered and run out of town on a rail: "Except for the honor of the public experience, I would have preferred to walk."

Most every university is beset with the challenge of balancing the conflicting goals of big-time sports and the university's academic mission. As president of Southern Methodist University, Paul Hardin heard of a minor malfeasance by the football coach that led him to learn of cash payments to players.

Paul was not a Pollyanna. He had a good political radar but never let it overpower his gyroscope. Knowing that he was in Dallas, where many see football as the reason to have a university, he nonetheless reported it to the NCAA and told his trustees that he was going to clean it up, knowing that he would face criticism.

His board members fired him. The school ultimately was given the NCAA's only four-year "death penalty."

Paul later said that it "perked up" his career. It was that experience, his exhibition of putting his values first, he said, that got him

the job heading UNC in Chapel Hill 13 years later.

Unflinching in his support of the Knight Commission on College Athletics' position that a school was more important than any coach, he never swerved in his commitment to administrative control of athletics and transparency in its dealings. He was a great fan of basketball and UNC's iconic Dean Smith. Yet, when the head coach's Nike contract came up for renewal on Paul's watch, the chancellor insisted that it be made public.

(Ironically, while he was demanding the coach's contractual transparency, he also was being criticized in cartoons in The News & Observer for allowing Dean to make so much money while he was away playing golf. In some things, you just can't win.)

He also faced issues of protest and social unrest. He was caught in the jaws of irreconcilably-conflicting forces when supporters of the Black Cultural Center wanted it expanded into its own, freestanding building, something others opposed. The chancellor was initially opposed, as an advocate for more integration. He saw it as a contributor to separatism.

The faceoff between conservatives and growing campus protests became overwhelming. Hardin agreed to build the center, which was done in the subsequent administration. Yet, he had paid a price for it in criticism from all sides.

Paul was a pioneer in fundraising, creating the university's first major fund campaign that was first announced as one for \$200 million to celebrate the UNC Bicentennial. That was then raised to \$300 million and ultimately reported \$412 million in gifts.

Paul showed them the way. The school now channels that Hardin audacity, embarking now on its second multi-billion-dollar campaign.

He loved being the "Bicentennial Chancellor," with its many commemorations, including an anniversary speech in Kenan Stadium by President Bill Clinton.

Paul Hardin loved life, one well-lived until the ravages of ALS took him away. He was still able to find good in all things and laughter with good friends until the end. Paul could lament the awful examples and roiling consequences of today's political leadership, even as he might find something good in each of those who are, at least, he might say, willing to lead. The more we ponder that world view, that life, the closer we come to our own better angels.

Our community and our state lost a good man. A good, good man.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2017
SERVICE ACADEMY APPOINTEES
FROM THE 21ST CONGRESSIONAL
DISTRICT OF TEXAS

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 12, 2017

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today we congratulate the 2017 Service Academy appointees from the 21st Congressional District of Texas.

The following individuals accepted their Academy appointments:

Mia Elizabeth Bean, Canyon Lake High School, United States Military Academy; Kerrilee A. Berger, Smithson Valley High School, United States Air Force Academy; Hannah Kay Boubel, Fredericksburg High School, United States Military Academy; Madison K. Dean-Von Stultz, Smithson Valley High

School, United States Merchant Marine Academy; Jack Daniel Dunworth, Westlake High School, United States Naval Academy; JC Matthew Engel, Westlake High School, Greystone Preparatory School at Schreiner University, United States Merchant Marine Academy; Matthew Joseph Friedel, Central Catholic High School, United States Naval Academy; Alexander Russell Helstab, Katherine Anne Porter School, Greystone Preparatory School at Schreiner University, United States Military Academy; James Bailey Marshall, Saint Mary's Hall, United States Military Academy; Julie Ann Padilla, Cole High School, United States Air Force Academy; Benjamin Lewis Parrish, Saint Mary's Hall, United States Military Academy; Shamus Kennedy Phelan, SHAPE American High School (Belgium), United States Air Force Academy; Jazmin Alexis Robinson, Claudia Taylor Johnson High School, United States Air Force Academy; and Jesse Alan Zimmel, Bandera High School, United States Merchant Marine Academy.

These outstanding students have much to give to their Academy and to our country. We appreciate their talents and their patriotism.

SUGAR LAND BAKERY NAMED BEST IN TEXAS

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 12, 2017

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Anonymous Café of Sugar Land for being named the best bakery in Texas by Buzzfeed.

Anonymous, named after its owners Patricia and Tasos Pantazopoulos couldn't agree on a name, is a farmhouse-chic style café that sells desserts, Italian coffee drinks, olive oil and oregano, on top of a full dining menu. The Greek natives opened the café after moving to Sugar Land to be closer to Patricia's family. The café was named the best bakery in Texas earlier this year by the website Buzzfeed and has customers travelling from all over the country to try their made from scratch Greek desserts.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Anonymous Café for being named the best bakery in Texas. We're honored to have Texas' best bakery right in the heart of TX-22. Great job.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this infor-

mation, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, July 13, 2017 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JULY 17

5 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of State and State Department reorganization plans.

SD-419

JULY 18

9 a.m.

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine comprehensive tax reform, focusing on prospects and challenges.

SD-215

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of General Paul J. Selva, USAF, for reappointment to the grade of general and reappointment to be Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

SD-G50

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of J. Paul Compton, Jr., of Alabama, to be General Counsel, and Anna Maria Farias, of Texas, and Neal J. Rackleff, of Texas, both to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Richard Ashooh, of New Hampshire, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Elizabeth Erin Walsh, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce, and Christopher Campbell, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

SD-538

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Callista L. Gingrich, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Holy See, and Nathan Alexander Sales, of Ohio, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large, both of the Department of State.

SD-419

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the status and outlook for United States and North American energy and resource security.

SD-366

11 a.m.

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of David J. Kautter, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

SD-215

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on SeaPower

To hold hearings to receive testimony on options and considerations for achieving a 355-ship Navy from former Reagan administration officials.

SR-222

Committee on Foreign Relations

Subcommittee on Multilateral International Development, Multilateral Institutions, and International Economic, Energy, and Environmental Policy

To hold hearings to examine "The Four Famines", focusing on root causes and a multilateral action plan.

SD-419

JULY 19

9:30 a.m.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine illicit cigarette smuggling in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe region.

SD-562

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ajit Varadaraj Pai, of Kansas, Jessica Rosenworcel, of Connecticut, and Brendan Carr, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission.

SD-G50

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on National Parks

To hold hearings to examine S. 257, to clarify the boundary of Acadia National Park, S. 312, to redesignate the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site as the "Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park", S. 355, to amend the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act to provide for a lifetime National Recreational Pass for any veteran with a service-connected disability, S. 391, to establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center in New York, New York, S. 841, to designate the Veterans Memorial and Museum in Columbus, Ohio, as the National Veterans Memorial and Museum, S. 926, to authorize the Global War on Terror Memorial Foundation to establish the National Global War on Terrorism Memorial as a commemorative work in the District of Columbia, S. 1073, to authorize Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument and that was conveyed to Escambia County subject to restrictions on use and reconveyance, S. 1202, to modify the boundary of the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site, S. 1403, to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to establish the 21st Century Conservation Service Corps to place youth and veterans in national service positions to conserve, restore, and enhance the great outdoors of the United States, S. 1438, to redesignate the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in the State of Missouri as the "Gateway Arch National Park", S. 1459, to establish Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie National Park in the State of South Carolina, and S. 1522, to establish an Every Kid Outdoors program.

SD-366